



Fw: Templeton Mental Hospital
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03/11/2016 02:10 PM

Debbie Arnold
Supervisor, 5th District
San Luis Obispo County

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Date: 03/11/2016 01:36 PM
Subject: Templeton Mental Hospital

I am a 4th generation resident of Templeton, a registered nurse, and am concerned about what will happen if the proposed facility goes through. I frequently drive on Las Tablas Road to and from my home. I have noticed that the road is often slowed by the increased traffic that the medical offices and hospital generate. I can not imagine adding hundreds of people using that road. There is little room for emergency vehicles, and the need for such would only increase. Templeton has no full time fire or police force, therefor dealing with emergencies will be a slow process. The owners of the property where the facility is proposed do not live in our county, yet they are imposing this on us. As quoted by Dr Greg Ellison, this is purely a financial deal. Please vote NO on this. What about putting a mental health facility on the old Boys School property? thank you, Kathy Bergman



To: Catrina Christensen/ClerkRec/COSLO, Annette Ramirez/ClerkRec/COSLO, Sandy Currens/ClerkRec/COSLO,
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Subject: FW: Letter Regarding Proposed Mental Health Facility
From: Vicki Shelby/BOS/COSLO - Friday 03/11/2016 02:44 PM

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Vicki M. (Shelby) Fogleman
Legislative Assistant for
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Cc :
Sent on : 03/11 01:44:46 PM PST
Subject : Letter Regarding Proposed Mental Health Facility

Honorable Supervisor Arnold, Compton, Gibson, Hill, and Mecham,

We respectfully request the attached, updated letter be considered during your deliberations on the proposed mental health facility on Tuesday.
The original letter will be sent via US mail today. Thank you.

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Joe Koski, Ed.D., Superintendent
Templeton Unified School District



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TEMPLETON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Home of Tomorrow's Leaders"

March 11, 2016

San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors
1055 Monterey Street
San Luis Obispo, CA 93408

Dear Honorable Supervisors Arnold, Compton, Gibson, Hill, and Mecham:

I am writing on behalf of the Templeton Unified School District regarding the mental health hospital that Vision Health LLC is proposing to build on Las Tablas Road, in Templeton. We wanted to make sure that the Planning Commission is aware of the impact that the hospital may have upon the School District.

Under California law, students placed in a hospital are deemed residents of the school district in which the hospital is located. (Cal. Educ. Code §§ 48207, 56167.) Accordingly, the local school district is responsible for providing regular and special education to all hospitalized students, regardless of where the students' families reside.

Depending upon the needs of a particular student, these services can range from educational instruction to complex professional services such as nursing, physical therapy, speech and language therapy, or intensive behavioral services. It is likely that students who need hospitalization in a mental health facility will tend to have substantial special education needs.

The proposed hospital would have 91 beds, approximately 42 of which would be reserved for children and adolescents. It is anticipated that children from throughout California would be placed in the hospital. The School District would receive funding from the State for children in the hospital consistent with funding received for general education students; it would not receive additional funding to provide special education services to hospitalized students.

The School District currently has an average daily attendance of approximately 2,487, of whom approximately 220 qualify for special education supports and services. The hospital could thus increase the School District's special education student population by approximately 20%, with no accompanying increase in special education funding. This may result in a significant impact to the School District's special education and general fund budgets, and could impair the School District's ability to provide services to students who reside within Templeton.

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The School District recognizes that the decision whether to approve the hospital project is within the Planning Commission's purview, not the School District's, and the School District does not take a formal position regarding whether the project should be approved. However, we believe it is important that the Planning Commission be aware of the hospital's potential impact upon the School District. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to further discuss the issues raised in this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Joe Koski", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Joe Koski, Ed.D, Superintendent
Templeton Unified School District